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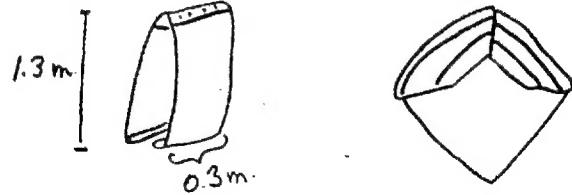
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1. "Since 1952 the Soviet combat engineering troops have been testing boring machines of the type SSM-ZU for the mechanization and speeding-up of various underground works."
2. "Underground boring machines of the SSM-ZU type have been in use for several years in the mining industry for making underground passages with a diameter of two-three meters."
3. "The bored-out earth is transported outside by means of small mechanized carts which are used in the coal industry."
4. "To secure and finish the bored underground passages the combat engineers use ready-made folding binged frames of corrugated iron formed as below:



Two sheets of corrugated iron 1.3 X 0.3 m; connecting the sheets by one upper hinge by means of eight bolts".

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